Development plan of the Deptt. of space upto the year 2001

3124. SHRI VISHWA BANDU GUPTA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state;

(a) whether the Departmentof Space has prepared up to the year 2001;

(b) if so, what are the salient features thereof; whether this includes launching of Indian astronauts/cosmonauts into space from Indian soil;

(c) whether any plans for establishment of space station are included in the blue-print; and

(d) what is the estimated cost on the said plan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE PRODUCTION AND SUPPLIES IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE, (SHRI SHIVRAJ PATIL): (a) to (c) The Department of Space is currently implementing the Decade Profile 1980-90, copies of which are available in the Parliament Library. The programmes for the Space Profile for the next decade 1990-2000 are in the process of finalisation. These programmes strongly focus on the operationalisation of the space services on a continuing basis to enable the country to derive full benefits of space technology in the areas of communication, resources survey, meteorology and introduction of specialised services such as search and rescue operations, mobile communication, drought monitoring etc. The progress envisaged include development of both rocket and satellite technology and building up of industrial interfaces. A few advanced R&D elements are also envisaged keeping in view the world scenario as well as the requirements of the country beyond 2000 AD.

The over-all thrust will thus, be to meet the country's essential Tequire-mjemt for space services. These are under various stages of study and assessment.

(d) It is too early to arrive at an estimate for the Space Profile for the Decade 1990-2000.

Transfer of NCC Civilian Employees of U.P. from Lucknow

3125. SHRI F. M. KHAN: Will the Ministet of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of civilian employees of Uttar Pradesh Government who have stayed in the NCC Offices at Lucknow for along time;

(b) what is the number of such State Government employees posted to NCC in Uttar Pradesh who were registered as willing to be posted at Lucknow till February, 1986;

(c) whether it is a fact that the Director NCC, Uttar Pradesh was instructed to post out of Lucknow the State Government employees with long period of stay;

(d) whether it is also a fact that the Director, NCC Uttar Pradesh, now Deputy Director General NCC, Uttar Pradesh, failed to post out of Lucknow those employees, as instructed; and

(e) what are the reasons fdr not implementing the instructions in this regard by the Deputy Director General, NCC, Uttar Pradesh?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE PRODUCTION AND SUPPLIES IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE, (SHRI SHIVRAJ PATIL): (a) Presently there are 100 Group 'C' civilian employees of UP Government who have been at Lucknow for over 3 years.

(b) The requisite information till February 1986 is not readily available. However, as on 30-6-87, there were 4 employees from out stations registered with the Dy. DG NCC, UP, for posting to Lucknow, on compassionate grounds.